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## **Probable Soviet Medical Facilities Under Construction In Afghanistan (S)**

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## **PROBABLE SOVIET MEDICAL FACILITIES UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN AFGHANISTAN (S)**

1. (S/D) Probable permanent Soviet medical facilities were identified for the first time in Afghanistan. The probable permanent facilities were being constructed adjacent to existing Soviet field hospitals at Bagram Airfield ( ) and Kunduz (Qonduz) Airfield ( )

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2. (S/D) At both facilities, the completed buildings are single story and are equipped with approximately 20 rooms, each with a two- to four-bed capacity. Although the precise function of these buildings could not be confirmed, their design is suitable for medical recovery wards. Soviet divisional headquarters are in both the Qonduz and Bagram areas.

3. (S/D) Construction of the medical facility at Bagram Airfield began in early December 1980, when footings for one building were being prepared. By ( ), one building appeared to be complete, one building was in the midstage of construction, and footings for two additional buildings had been prepared (Figure-1).

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4. (S/D) Initial construction of the medical facility at Kunduz Airfield was first seen in October 1980, when footings for one building were observed. By ( ) the building appeared to be externally complete, two buildings were in the midstage of construction, and footings for a fourth building had been prepared.

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### **REFERENCE**

#### **IMAGERY**

(S/D) All satellite imagery from ( ) was used in the preparation of this report.

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